

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a gateway device for carrying out a data relaying
at a transport or upper layer between a first terminal
5 device and a second terminal device which are capable of
carrying out communications through networks, information
regarding a security association set up between the first
terminal device and the second terminal device in order to
carry out communications with guaranteed data secrecy or in
10 order to carry out communications with guaranteed data
authenticity managed, and the decryption/encryption
processing or the authentication processing is carried out
according to the managed information regarding the security
association along with the data relaying at the transport
15 or upper layer.

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